

**WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2012**

Commissioners: Darrell Furr, Don Kelly and Gene Divine

Staff: Dennis Testerman and Amy Griffith

Others: Doug Miller, City of Concord

(1) Call to Order

Darrell Furr called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.

(2) Approval of Agenda

UPON MOTION of Don Kelly, seconded by Darrell Furr and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the Agenda.

(3) Approval of Minutes from January 17, 2012

UPON MOTION of Don Kelly, seconded by Darrell Furr and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the minutes from January 17, 2012.

(4) Reports

(4-A) Advisory Group Update

Dennis Testerman reported on the following: Kannapolis hosted the meeting; reviewed a Community Cost Share Assistance Program brochure being developed by the state Division of Soil & Water Conservation; discussed creeks on the 303D list; discussed BMP's for ag-cost share and CCAP; group talked about Big Sweep. The next Advisory Group meeting will be in May.

(4-B) Technical Assistance

Dennis Testerman reported on the following: reviewed a few requests that have come into the office.

(4-C) Stream Protection and Restoration

Dennis Testerman reported on the following: a schedule has been developed for the work being done at Cox Mill Elementary School; construction should start the week after school ends for the year.

(4-D) Watershed Education

Dennis Testerman reported on the following: The Envirothon completion is next week at Catawba College. Cannon School has a middle and high school team, and Northwest has a high school team; The

Resource Conservation Workshop is in Raleigh in June. Information has gone out to the schools; the District is holding a Pond Clinic on Saturday, March 31 from 9-11 at the Hodges Farm on Cox Mill Road; Area contests were held March 17. The 7th grade speech contestant, the 6th grade computer generated slide show contestant and the 6th grade poster contestant will advance to the State competition.

(4-E) Planning

Nothing to report.

(4-F) Soil & Water Conservation District

Dennis Testerman reported on the following: several contracts were approved at the last board meeting; budget was discussed; Vicky Porter was appointed as Chairman of the Soil & Water Conservation Commission; annual spot checks on ag-cost share projects were held Monday; Area VIII Spring Meeting was held in Gaston County on March 7, 2012;

(4-G) Municipalities

Doug Miller reported on the City of Concord: core stream restoration on Sticker Branch is moving forward; 3 new apartment complexes are being built; Civic Education for 3rd graders begins again this week.

(6) New Business

(6-1) Election of Officers

The following officers were reelected for the upcoming year:

Darrell Furr - Chairman

Don Kelly - Vice Chairman

Gene Divine - Secretary/Treasurer

(7) Adjourn

UPON MOTION of Don Kelly, seconded by Gene Divine and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Darrell Furr
Chairman

Don Kelly
Vice-Chairman